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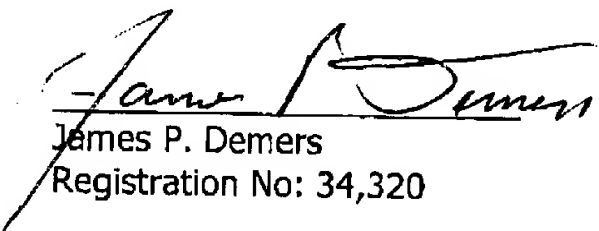
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2004. Please consider this filing to constitute a request and fee for a three-month extension of time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee of \$950.00 under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account 02-4270, with reference to Docket No. 6319-1662.

Please note changes to the attorney, correspondence address, and docket number associated with this application. A revocation of prior powers of attorney, new power of attorney, and a change of correspondence address, together with a statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) and attached copy of an assignment, are filed herewith.

Withdrawal of objections and rejections not reiterated in the Office Action are noted, and Applicants thank the Examiner for his consideration of previous amendments and remarks.

An inventor's affidavit under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 and 1.132 is enclosed herewith, establishing prior invention and establishing that the Applicant is the author of one of the cited prior art references.

A listing of the claims as presently amended begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.